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In re Patent No. 6,857,175

Issue Date: February 22, 2005:

Application No. 10/042,623 : ON PETITION

Filed: January 9, 2002

For: METHOD FOR RIVETING OR : PIERCING AND A DEVICE FOR :

CARRYING OUT METHOD :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed August 30, 2005, requesting a duplicate Letters Patent. The petition is properly treated under 37 CFR 1.182.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The file record discloses that the instant application matured into U.S. Patent No. 6,857,175 on February 22, 2005. Petitioner, however, contends that the patent was never received and is thus presumed lost.

In view of the facts set forth in the petition, it is concluded that the patent has been lost.

A copy of this decision is being forwarded to Publishing Division for issuance of a duplicate Letters Patent. The file is being forwarded to Files Repository.

Questions concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at 571-232-3232.

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